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Suspected gunman in killing of Ballocillo, son faces double murder raps

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Russia links top exec of business empire to poisoning of Litvinenko

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Guess who's running against Garci? It's Zuce



By Norman Bordadora and Michael Lim Ubac

HE DEFINITELY HAS THE balls to break the election of his Uncle Garci. And Michaelangelo Zuce, in-

GUESS A4

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BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

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SWS: 9 out of 10 Pinoys enter '07 with high hopes

NINETY PERCENT OF ADULT FILIPINOS WHO experienced hunger at least once in a few times over the past three months say they are entering the New Year with hope, according to a recent survey by Social Weather Stations.

Among Filipinos whose families did not go hungry in the past three months, 91 percent say they are hopeful for the New Year.

SWS 9 OUT OF 10 A6

DNA test key to Janjalani ID

But brother reportedly refuses to give samples

By Dona Pazzibugan, Alcuin Papa and Julie S. Alipala

WHETHER THE DECOMPOSING BODY RETRIEVED FROM A shallow grave in Jolo the other day is that of the Philippines' most wanted terrorist leader may all boil down to whatever samples of bone, hair or teeth the grave was able to yield.

The samples are being subjected to DNA tests by experts from the United States and the Philippines to see if they belong to Khadaffy Janjalani, the elusive chieftain of the Abu Sayyaf bandit group for whose capture the US government has put up a bounty of up to $5 million—roughly P250 million.

US Embassy spokesperson Matthew Lussenhop yesterday confirmed that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had been helping verify the remains since Wednesday "based on the request" of the Philippines as part of a long-standing cooperation on law enforcement between the two countries.

Officials said the samples would be compared with those of Janjalani's younger brother, Hector, another Abu Sayyaf member, who is held in a maximum security compound in the New

DNA TEST A17

'If dead, it proves RP winning war on terror'

By Christine O. Avendaño and Dona Pazzibugan

MALACAÑANG YESTERDAY SAID the death of Abu Sayyaf leader Khadaffy Janjalani, if true, would prove that the Philippines was winning the war on terror and this would please the Americans.

"It will show the success of AFP (Armed Forces) operations against the terrorists in Mindanao, especially the Abu Sayyaf," Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita said.

"If true (that he is dead), Janjalani is the center of gravity of terrorism in Mindanao, so that will show that we are winning in our antiterrorism campaign and even our allies, the Americans will be happy."

IF DEAD A17



APRIL 15, 2000: Practically then just a boy, Khadaffy Janjalani took over the Abu Sayyaf group after the death in 1998 of its founder, his eldest brother Abdurajak Abubakar.



THE GUIDING LIGHT: President Arroyo and Mike Arroyo make their way by sunlight streaming from outside the cavernously lonely Sumaging Cave in Sagada, Mountain Province. The First Couple are spending the New Year in Baguio City.

Widows, orphans of slain Abra politicos unite to fight Valeras

By Frank Cimatu
Inquirer Northern Luzon

BANGUED, ABRA—WIDOWS AND CHILDREN of murdered political leaders in the province are forming a united opposition ticket in the May 2007 elections to fight Gov. Vicente Valera and his wife, Bangued Mayor Ma. Zita Claustro-Valera.

Charito Bernardo, the eldest daughter of murdered Rep. Luis Bernardo Jr., said that one of the Bernardos would be running for governor against Valera, whom the police have tagged a suspect in the killing.

The congressman and his security aide, SPO1 Adolfo Ortega, were shot dead in front of the Mt. Carmel Church in New Manila, Quezon City, on Dec. 16.

Joy Bersos, widow of La Paz Mayor Marc Yumol Bersos, said the group would also field a candidate either for congressman or for mayor of Bangued, the capital town.

Bersos' husband, who was killed in his hometown on Jan. 13 this year, had been the first to announce that he would challenge Valera for the gubernatorial post next year.

"I still support the previous plan of my husband and whatever ... he fought for," Joy Bersos said at a joint press conference after Bernardo's burial here on Wednesday.

Lagangilang Mayor Cecilia Luna and Leoda Bernardo, younger brother of slain Tineg Mayor Clarence Benwaren, also said that they would be fielding their own candidates against the Valeras.

But even if the lineup has still to be finalized, the members of the yet unnamed group said they would be campaigning against political killings and

WIDOWS A18

TAIWAN QUAKE

RP's Internet, phone capacity cut by 40%

By Riza T. Olchondra and Ronnel W. Domingo

BUDDING WEBSITE DEVELOPER ADEN Tan was virtually unable to surf the Internet and communicate via e-mail yesterday after a 7.1 magnitude earthquake off Taiwan on Tuesday disturbed offshore submarine cables that link Asian countries with the United States and beyond.

"It's difficult because I use the Internet a lot," said Tan, who uses a dial-up connection at home.

This reporter spent the first 15 minutes of her Internet rental time just trying to reach the log-in page of her e-mail account for work.

Some 4.9 million Internet users in the Philippines were apparently experiencing similar, if not worse, connection problems since Tuesday.

Across Asia, millions of people were also enduring a second day without full Internet services.

China, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Vietnam and elsewhere all experienced disruptions to Internet services after the quake hit.

The powerful earthquake which hit Taiwan has cut Philippine telecom capacity by as much as 40 percent, an official of the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) said yesterday.

NTC Deputy Commissioner Jorge Sarmiento said some 60 percent of phone and Internet capacity was operational as carriers rerouted through other links to North America, the Middle East, Hawaii, Malaysia and Singapore.

A spokesperson for local telecom giant, Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT), confirmed that connectivity was down by about 40 percent.

RP'S INTERNET A17

Teduray villagers no longer have to be home before dark

By Maria Congee S. Gomez
Contributor

ON A RECENT SATURDAY AFTERNOON in the mountain barangay of Renti, south of Upi town in Maguindanao province, a group of Teduray villagers anxiously waited as two engineers climbed up the thatched roof of the village school to put the final touches to a solar-powered electricity system that would mean a truly brighter year for them.

Long shrouded in darkness, the Teduray now enjoy electricity through solar home systems being installed in 38 of 208 households in the town under a partnership between the Philippine and United States governments and the private sector.

Upi Mayor Ramon Piang could not believe that electrification had come

TEDURAY A8



EVENINGS BECOME ELECTRIC for the Mintod family of the Teduray hill tribe in Renti, south of Upi town in Maguindanao, who proudly pose in front of their home now powered by a 50-watt peak solar panel on the roof.

WEATHER FORECAST

Second FRONTPAGE

Sandigan forfeits $8 M Swiss deposit

THE SANDIGANBAYAN YESterday ordered the forfeiture of some $8 million in Swiss bank deposits held by the former social secretary of deposed President Ferdinand Marcos in favor of the government.

OSG presses US custody for Smith

Blast rocks Sultan Kudarat dep't store; 3 hurt

Pimentel joins fray, seeks probe of PLDT deal

Media groups sue Mike Arroyo over libel suits

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Palace says it can live with old budget

Corrections

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By Gil Cabacungan Jr.

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Cops ban use of bazooka-like PVC 'boga'

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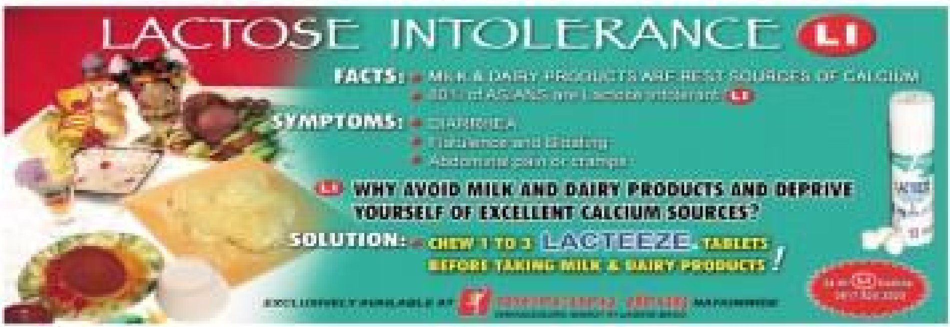
Pollution Kills 2 Million People a Year

- World Health Organization

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'Bata' takes up tax break offer

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NEGOSYO in 2006

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A successful 2006 has passed for GoNegosyo. Now, we invite you to come and be part of another year of entrepreneurship this 2007. Watch out for our events and projects this coming year as we go out and provide more information and assistance for budding entrepreneurs.

- Tourism Negosyo March 2 to 4, 2007
- GoNegosyo Caravan in Key Cities and Provinces
- Fashion Negosyo 3rd Quarter of 2007

PAF chopper crashes; others may be grounded

Guess who's running against Garci?





With opposition

The Acostas

Key witness

Projects

Ping: Run, Garci, run

By TJ Burgonio

Common candidate

Coalition talks

Teduray villagers no ...

Hill people

Form of birth control

Unimaginable

Customs bureau expects to meet P196-B goal today







GMA launches Mike D Senate bid

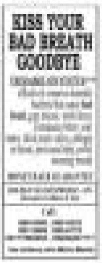

DEFENSOR





















SWS: 9 out of 10 Pinoy

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The level of hopefulness (hope) among those who suffered "severe hunger" (experiencing hunger often or always). Seventy-eight percent say they are entering 2007 with hope.

The final 2006 SWS survey also found that hopefulness for the coming year is higher nationwide compared with the level in the same period last year.

Ninety-one percent of adult Filipinos say they will enter the New Year with hope rather than fear, up six percentage points from the last quarter of 2005.

High hopes for 2007 are shared across all areas and socioeconomic classes, according to SWS.

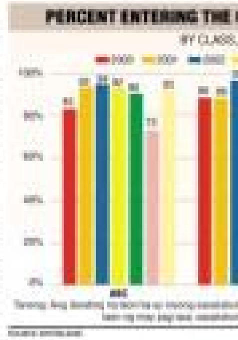
From 73% to 92%

Hopefulness among members of the socioeconomic class ABC rose to 92 percent this year from from 73 percent in 2005.

Among class D hopefulness was also up from 87 percent to 91 percent, and among class E it went up from 80 percent to 91 percent.

Hope for the New Year also increased in all areas compared with the previous year, except in Metro Manila, where it stayed at 87 percent, SWS said.

Elsewhere, it increased from 83 percent to





NEVER SO MANY! The widows and orphans of slain politicians assemble to plot their next moves. Fr... and former Abra Gov. Andres Bernos (parents of Eli Bernos); Josefina Bernardo, wife of slain Board M... of slain Abra Rep. Luis Bersamin Jr., and Lagayan Mayor Cecille Luna, subject of a murder attempt.



ys enter New Year with high hopes



Is it with hope or with fear that you enter the coming year? (By area and class, November 2006)

	RP	NCR	Bal Luzon	Vis	Min	ABC	D	E
With hope	91%	87	92	93	90	92	91	91
With fear	6	12	7	6	8	6	6	6

Source: SWS release



Widows, orphans of slain Abra politicos unite to fight Valeras



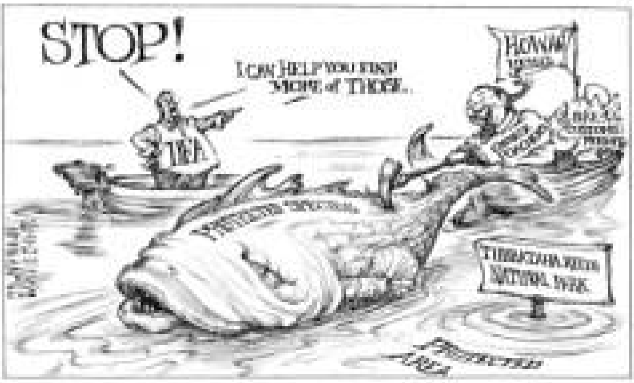
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OPINION

Growth for whom?

EDITORIAL

THE FINANCIAL MARKETS HAVE GIVEN THE Arroyo administration some good reasons to cheer as the nation prepares to welcome the new year. Yesterday, the stock market composite index closed at 2945.38 points, its best finish to close in 10 years. The peso was also at its strongest level in almost six years, closing at 49.157 to the dollar.



Telling the future

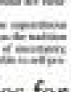
As I See It



Neal H. Cruz

Ang Kapatiran: New Hopes for the New Year

Passion for Reason



Raul C. Pangalangan

How Christmas came to us

COMMENTARY

Nono Alfonso, S.J.

Triple treat

PINOY KASI



Michael L. Tan

What's this

Culture of pain

Protecting our interests

AT LARGE



Rina Jimenez-David

Discovering the Filipino through the arts

LOOKING BACK



Ambeth R. Ocampo

Epira goals remain elusive

LETTERS

This American feels so ashamed

Better as US justice secretary

Saving Cuenco from 'politics of going-along'

PVAO congratulated for prompt pensions

Priests must undergo 'character change' too

New clothes for bad-smelling leaders

EZ2 SIX DIGIT

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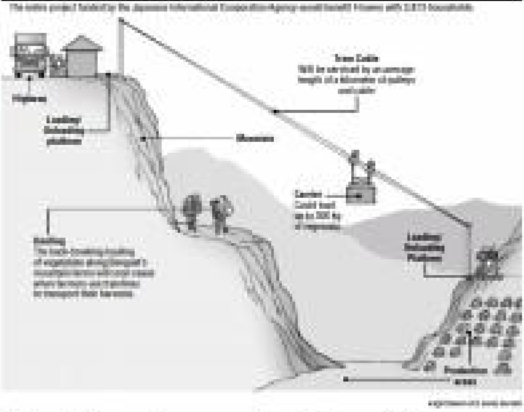
SUPERLOTTO 6/49

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New Year sends prices skyrocketing

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—AS PRICES OF FRUITS, vegetables and meat in this Pampanga capital rise by 5 to 50 percent in days before the New Year revelry, Teresita Calma said she would forego the traditional media noche for her family.

Benguet's P40M Tramline Project



FAST FACTS

Tramlines to ease hauling of Benguet veggies

Earlier use

Vegetable capital

Self-help

Tramlines

Suitable

Benguet board protests minor role of experts



ENTERPRISING

Guimaras Church, environment groups say cleanup incomplete



Police arrest GenSan rapists

GENERAL SANTOS CITY—Police said they have taken into custody two of the three suspects in last month's rape-slaying of 16-year-old Krystel Dimoro.

Senior Supt. Willie Dangane, head of the Task Force Dimoro, said reporters here on Wednesday they have considered the case solved.

He said charges have already been filed against suspects Garded Casimero, Jojo Monte and Rex Decoro.

Monte earlier surrendered while Decoro was arrested on Tuesday.

Dangane said only Casimero remains at large.

Monte had confessed he was among those who gang-raped Dimoro, a graduating high school student at the Lagao National High School here.

In his confession, Monte claimed it was Casimero, a pedicab driver, who brought Dimoro home. The girl knew Casimero.

He said they took turns sexually abusing the girl before Casimero strangled her to death.

Monte said the victim's body was placed in a sack and dumped at a vacant lot.

Dangane said they recovered pieces of evidence, which could boost the case against the suspects, from Casimero's house in San Isidro village.

Councilor Lourdes Casabuena, chair of the committee on women and family, praised the police for their determination in solving the Dimoro case.

Rapists

But in Koronadal, Davao del Sur, authorities are still baffled as to the identity of a group of motorcycle-riding men actually attacking women.

The group had already killed at least three women after sexually molesting them.

The attacks—which also alarmed Bishop Guillermo [illegible] of the Diocese of Digos—have prompted the provincial police to organize a special body to solve the cases.

On Tuesday last week, the group nearly killed another victim.

The would-be victim, a 14-year-old resident of Barangay Marbel, is now recuperating in a hospital.

The girl said she was inside their house with her grandfather when she heard knocks on the door around 7 p.m.

She said she opened the door and was startled to see knife-wielding suspects. [illegible], she said, were looking more a teen.

The girl said the two men immediately grabbed her and covered her face with a smelly handkerchief.

"I tried to hold my breath to avoid losing consciousness and I fought back. They overpowered me," she told the Inquirer.

Aquiles Zonio and Eddie Aguirre, Inquirer Mindanao

DNA test key to Janjalani identification

Shot in the neck

Muslim robes

FBI's Most Wanted Terrorists

DNA test

Results in weeks

Hereditary characteristics

'If dead, it proves RP winning war on terror'



Sabban optimistic

Esperon prefers to wait

No letup

Military dragnet

High-profile kidnaps

RP's Internet, phone capacity cut by 40 percent

Rerouting

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Call centers



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Saudi, Oman at Qatar
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Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo,
Senado, sa simulain ni
Senator Joker Arroyo at
ng DOTC/NTC.

METRO plus



GETTING READY Vendors in Cubao, Quezon City sell different kinds of fireworks and firecrackers to welcome the New Year.



Slay suspect faces twin raps

Gunman tagged in killing of OSG lawyer, son

By Margaux C. Ortiz

New Nayon to rise with new year

By Jocelyn R. Uy



Alleged violators of Clean Water Act may be charged

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TOXIC waste dumped into the river at Barangay Lambakin, Marilao, Bulacan. [illegible]



HOMELESS FOR THE HOLIDAYS [illegible]

UP professors earn less than PMA cadets, says regent

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Metro-Briefs

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Police advise motorists not to lose their cool in traffic jams

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Russia links ex-Yukos exec to spy poisoning

US mourns death of ex-president Ford



FLAGS fly at half-staff in memory of former US President Gerald Ford at the Washington Monument as military helicopters pass over the dome of the Capitol in Washington Dec. 27. Ford's body will lie in state for a period of public mourning in the Capitol Rotunda beginning this weekend.

Iran told to comply with nuke watchdog

Islamist forces withdraw from Somali capital



LEWINSKY

Lewinsky graduates from London School of Economics

WORLDBRIEFS

Bombs kill 23 civilians in Baghdad

Israel PM orders resumption of strikes

Mass burial for Nigeria blast victims

Egyptian man dies of bird flu

The WORLD

Editor Lavenne B. Gocco

Ford disagreed with Iraq war



BUSH



FORD

WASHINGTON—FORMER President Gerald Ford disagreed with the US-led war in Iraq, the Washington Post reported Thursday, citing an embargoed tape recorded interview conducted in 2004 with the late US leader.

AFP

Iraq prepares for execution

AFP



WHAT'S INSIDE

■ Tiger's total dominance year's top sports story /A25

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Editor Teddyvic S. Melendres

■ Title droughts end for Tigers, Lions /A26



Asian Tour resets RP Open golf

By Jerry Arcano

FIRST THE ASEAN SUMMIT. NOW, THE PHILIPPINE Open.



DEFENDING CHAMP Scott Strange

Villaroman tops qualifying



VILLAROMAN: 72-68



MANNY Pacquiao (right) touches fists with American promoter Bob Arum to seal their new partnership yesterday.

Assured of $5-M purse, Pacman opts for Arum

By Juan Navarro

Long shot Sumcad paces Kukji golf with solid 64

By Musong R. Castillo

SINGAPORE MASTERS

Gomez on course for GM result



CHESS whiz kid Wesley So [illegible] of Russian in fifth round.

Assured of $5-M . . .

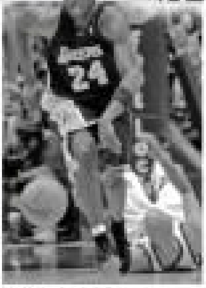
Villaroman tops . . .

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Kobe, Smush spark Lakers past Magic

Wizards 114, Bobcats 107

Cavaliers 89, Hawks 76



‘3 blind mice’ jibe nets Kidd hefty fine



Wild Oats on course for 2nd Sydney-Hobart victory

Tiger’s total dominance year’s top sports story

By the Associated Press



Yanks sign pitcher Igawa for $20M



NEW YORK—THE NEW YORK YANKEES

PGA pays tribute to Ford

SPORTS





COLLEGE CAGING

Title droughts end for Tigers, Lions

Twelve straight wins

Epic finals series

Heartaches continued

Orcollo leaving for Derby City Classic tilt



MILO JUNIOR CUP

Japanese forge duels with Filipino teeners

SPORTSWATCH

Yonex-Sunrise Badminton Tour listing starts for Cebu regional

NCA World Championship blasts off on Jan. 9 at PCC

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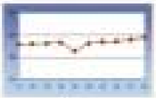
RP paying in full $220-M debt to IMF

Move to allow early exit from monitoring program

By Doris C. Dumlao

THE BANGKO SENTRAL ng Pilipinas yesterday said the country will pay in full its $220-million debt to the International Monetary Fund before the end of this year.

CURRENCIES



STOCK MARKET

PSE COMPOSITE INDEX



Stocks, peso continue to climb

By Doris C. Dumlao and Elizabeth L. Sanchez

Transfer of MWSI stake stalled

Maynilad creditors fail to submit consent, setting back west concession water deal

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Cebu Pacific ends 2006 with P99 fare

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Stocks, peso continue to climb

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Managed Fund - Peso	[illegible]	[illegible]
Growth Fund - Peso	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bond Fund - US Dollar	[illegible]	[illegible]

INSULAR LIFE

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Fixed Income Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
Balanced Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
Equity Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Southern Leyte
CITY OF MAASIN
Bids and Awards Committee

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TO BID

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RCBC to acquire 66.6% of credit card company

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Aboitiz delivers first of 2 Superferry ships

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DISCLOSURES

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Gov't nontax revenues hit ₱97.07B as of November

'06 target of ₱94B surpassed; BTr brings in ₱59B

By Michelle V. Remo

Gov't, Philnico move to save Nonoc deal

Goings-on

CDO's advocacy project

Quality network forum

Jardine unit has new name

RP paying in full $220-M debt to IMF





BUSINESS *Friday*

Debit cards: Alternative to queueing at ATMs

Banks urge customers to swipe their cards at stores instead of withdrawing cash



THE DEBIT card can be used to access a bank account through point-of-sale (POS), Internet and ATM channels using electronic payment gateways like Visa or Mastercard.

Cash to debit

No difference

Picking the habit

Pension funds

SEC: No filing fees for additional corporate contributions

TAX-FILES

Debt to equity

Distressed companies

No more approval

Not close doors

Cheap SEA property lures Japanese retirees

"Affordable"

"Palace in RP"

Scams

BUSINESS

Imports up 12.5% to $4.68B in October



GLOBE WELCOMES RETURNING OFW

Steady double-digit growth in exports curbed 10-month trade deficit by 35%

By Michelle V. Remo

Jatropha, a wonder plant

By Ernesto M. Ordoñez

COMMENTARY

From urban to rural

An accident

Other benefits

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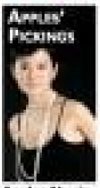
FASHION



The shining

Style pledges 2007

APPLES' PICKINGS



Apples Aberin-Sathwani

With the new year, it's time to turn a new fashion page

HAPPY NEW YEAR! NOW'S your chance to turn a new fashion page as you ring in 2007! Here's a list of possible *New Year's* fashion resolutions that you may want to consider:

1 Have a merry makeover.

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2 Support the local fashion industry.

[illegible]

3 Don't buy fakes.

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Fashion resolutions

Some of Manila's style-setters share their fashion resolutions for 2007

"I think it would be to try more new local designers, other than my all-time favorites like Ivar (Aseron), Randy (Ortiz), Rajo (Laurel) and Dennis (Lustico). I'm also eyeing the limited edition Chopard watch, so that means I have to change my ways and spend less."

Ruby Gosi, entrepreneur

"I promise to change my bit quaint ways by weeding out all my closet clothes I haven't worn in 10 years because I was hoping they'd come back in style, and just give them to charity."

Liza Ilarde-Cuenca, Jetset editor in chief

"Fashion-wise, I would say my resolution is to pare down on accessories, especially jewelry. Pared-down is fresh for the New Year. I'm tired of too many necklaces, too many bracelets, and over-accessorizing, in general."

Pauline Suaco-Juan, Preview editor in chief

"Every time I shop for new things, I will try to wear them or use them as often as possible. Usually, what happens is that each time we purchase something we tend to treat it with special care, to the point of wearing that item only once or twice a year. Next thing you know it ends up stuck in the closet and out of fashion."

Henri Calayag, H Salon head stylist

"To actually make time to do some serious and strategic shopping! And to finally organize my fashion reserves so I can save valuable time when getting dressed."

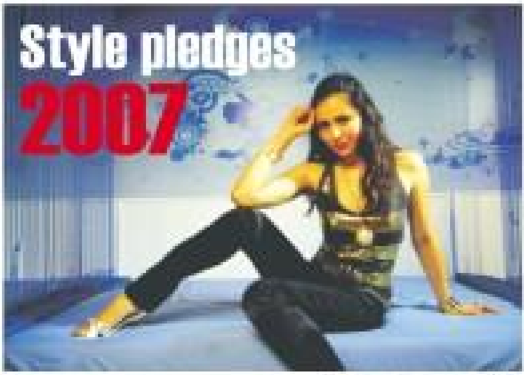
Myrza Sison, Marie Claire editor in chief

"To continue keeping my ears on the ground and giving my best be it in my craft or in my sport."

Vic Barba, designer/equestrian

"Simplify and wear something other than black."

Melanie Cuevas, Metro editor in chief



GRAY tank top with gold sequins, P1,695, by Topshop. Satin skinny pants, P2,495, by Zara. Gold heels, P1,750, by VNC. Gold and mother-of-pearl medallion, P3,500; and gold cuff, P1,000, both from Cru



BLACK and gold lamé brocade dress, P1,495, from Topshop. Silver glitter belt, P395; and bronze and silver bands, P195 each, all from Dorothy Perkins. Gold and mother-of-pearl medallion necklace, P3,500; and gold cuff earrings, P950; and cocktail ring, all by Cru. Gold lamé long gloves, P1,250, by Zara. Sequined bronze heels, P1,995; and pumps, P1,750, both by VNC

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4 Eat and live healthy!

Anorexic-looking models and style icons are passé. Fashion capitals like Milan are even banning stick-thin models with abnormally low body mass index. Nowadays, the focus is on health and well-being. So, don't starve or exercise yourself to death. Womanly curves are decidedly back in fashion!

5 Try out a trend or two.

Fashion is fun and dynamic so this year, make sure you keep up by trying out a trend or two each season. There are a lot of trend options to choose from for spring/summer. Go light and breezy with [illegible] dresses or try a bit of volume [illegible] [illegible] the pouf and puff details. [illegible] also rule the runways in the form of [illegible] and white pieces or [illegible]. And although skinny jeans and pants are still in, try out wide-legged pants for variety.

6 Clean out your closet.

Overhaul your wardrobe and get rid of items you haven't worn for several years. Although fashion is cyclical, you don't have to keep every single article of clothing and accessory from season's past. Choose a few favorites, defining pieces to keep, and donate the rest to charity or have a garage sale, if you wish. Not only will you have more space for new purchases, you'll also have a clutter-free New Year!



7 And for New Year's Eve, dazzle brighter than the fireworks and be a star.

[illegible] the New Year with a bang by donning blindingly brilliant metallic or iridescent clothing that's probably brighter than the fireworks. Take your cue from stylist Mela de Luna, who put together this editorial to show us how to draw [illegible] in metallic pieces that are versatile [illegible].

E-mail the author at [illegible]@inquirer.com.ph

GOLD sequined mini dress, P1,750; and black satin skinny pants, P2,495, both from Zara. Gold and mother-of-pearl medallion necklace, P3,500; silver necklace with black bow pendant, P1,000; gold cuff, P1,000; and cocktail ring, all from Cru

Photography Michael Mariano
Styling Mela de Luna
Photography assistant Martin Mariano
Makeup Benjie Angeles for Shu Uemura
Hair Bea Mas using Kérastase Stylist Series
Model April Tattersall
Special thanks to Lori V. Vergara of [illegible]



"[illegible]"

Ben Chan, Bench creative director

"[illegible]"

[illegible], stylist

"Quality over quantity!"

Xeng Zulueta, Shu Uemura chief makeup artist

"Reinvent, experiment, explore different designers and looks. Never get too comfortable with a look. It dates you."

Leica Carpo, partner, Modern Mythology

"To continuously work and support the industry in uplifting its standards to global competitiveness."

Randy Ortiz, designer

"My New Year fashion resolution is to clean my closet and get rid of my old stuff that will remind me that I was once a size 36."

Robby Carmona, director

"Fashion is both a business and an art. My resolution would be better service, quality and design, a bigger production capacity, new ventures (i.e. ready to wear). Fashion is also never serious so I'm looking forward to more laughter."

Dennis Lustico, designer

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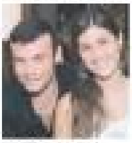
Bianca Valerio, model/ TV host







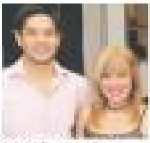
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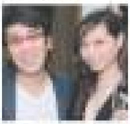
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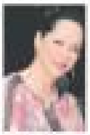
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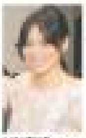
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Madeover Cosmo Manille toasts French cosmetic surgeon

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache



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Rock-and-roll affair

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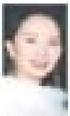
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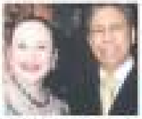
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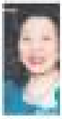
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Samsung and MetroWear elevate Philippine fashion

2006 was a banner year for Philippine fashion design with the expansion of **MetroWear**. Always a much-awaited event in the fashion scene every year for the past four years, **MetroWear 2006** saw the dynamic collaboration of **Metro Magazine** and Samsung to produce a series of fashion collections that became known as MetroWear Series. This culminated in Metrowear Gala —a parade of 2007 collections of the country's top 23 designers.

This was the first time in years that Manila saw a sustained fashion show series of the foremost designers.

Samsung President Spencer Shin defines such collaboration: "Samsung recognizes the contribution of Metro Magazine and ABS-CBN Publishing in relentlessly promoting the fashion industry in the Philippines, and congratulates them for it. That direction fuses with Samsung's heritage of design and technology. Samsung has a track record that hinges not only on style but more so on substance. With our partnership with MetroWear we harness both and more importantly, it becomes a seamless bonding with our consumers at first rate level."

Indeed the sleek and cutting-edge collections of the top fashion designers served as perfect complement to the subtle and classy lines of the Samsung Ultra Edition phone—the chic black fashion accessory of the moment—and the Bordeaux LCD television.

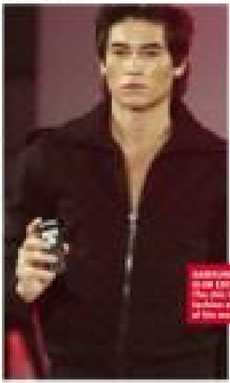
Every week from October 4 to November 8 at the Rockwell Loft, the leading designers presented 10 to 16 outfits each in the holiday collections at the Metrowear Series. Fashion stalwarts Rajo Laurel, Rhett Eala and designer of the moment Dennis Lustico opened the Series. They were followed in succeeding weeks by Jun Escario, [illegible], Lulu Tan Gan, [illegible], Randy Ortiz, Joey Samson, and the Series' finale [illegible], who also hosted his show.

The December 7 Metrowear Gala at the Rockwell Tent unveiled the 2007 lines of [illegible].

These previews drew exciting reviews, discussions of trends. Just as important, they were top draws of crowds that cut across style and age levels. The country's Who's Who were there every week, as well as the fashionistas and movers and shakers of Philippine lifestyle.

Indeed with Samsung's Metrowear, the bar has been raised for Philippine fashion. Next year's Metrowear will be the event again to look forward to.





SAMSUNG ULTRA SLIM EDITION: The chic black fashion accessory of the moment















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LIFESTYLE



JC Buendia

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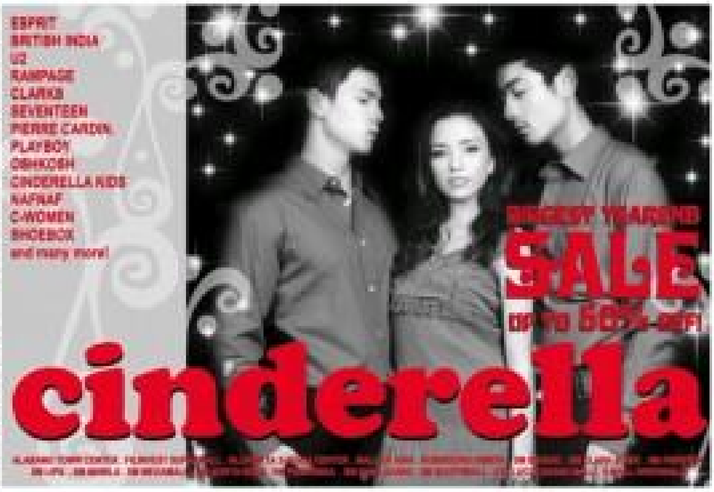
Thelma Sioson San Juan

What to remember about 2006

It was the year of the stockings and the metallics.
It was the year of Coco Banana and 'The Devil Wears Prada'



EFREN Ocampo





Shop makes wishes come true

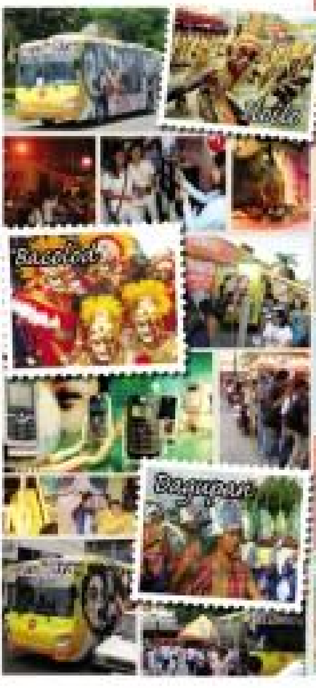

ICA Calzado



Shoes and more shoes

MOTOBUS:
The Nationwide Invasion






MATCHING Cosmic and Heartbreaker watches from Skechers Time

Stepping in time


CERAMIC Duo is just one of the many colorful and funky watches from Skechers Time.

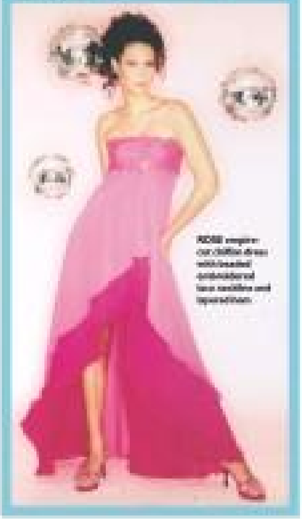


New looks for the New Year











Prevent further weight gain after Christmas

MAKEOVER 911

Kinny Salas





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Life-Fix Complete Body Cleanse Kit

What to remember about 2006

ENTERTAINMENT







Film fest hits and misses

Some fearless forecasts

INQUIRER ENTERTAINMENT asked five industry insiders, plus a past winner, their picks for the top awards in this year's Metro Manila Film Festival (MMFF).

Product placements

Positive developments





ROBINSONS MOVIEWORLD CINEMAS MOVIE GUIDE

CINEMA ACCESS 635-5555 FOR ALL BRANCHES

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9 TATLONG BARAHA
10 SHAKE, RATTLE and ROLL 8

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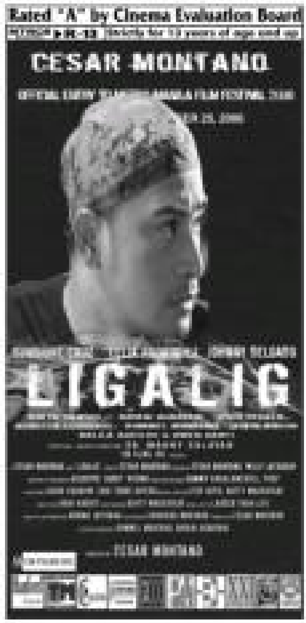
'Enteng' still leads on 3rd day

Adam Sandler' Christmas kids

st fascinating interviews of 2006







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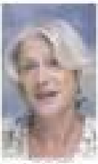
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SACHA BARON COHEN


JOHNNY DEPP


HELEN MIRREN


DANIEL CRAIG

Our most fascinating interviews of 2006

Who said, 'If anyone of you know Pamela Anderson, tell her to leave me alone'?

Only In Hollywood


Ruben V. Nepales

LIVING Stars





OUT OF THE CLOSET



BOOKS

PHOEMELA BARANDA

RED CARPET

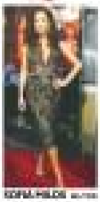
'Dreamgirls' premiere, Beverly Hills

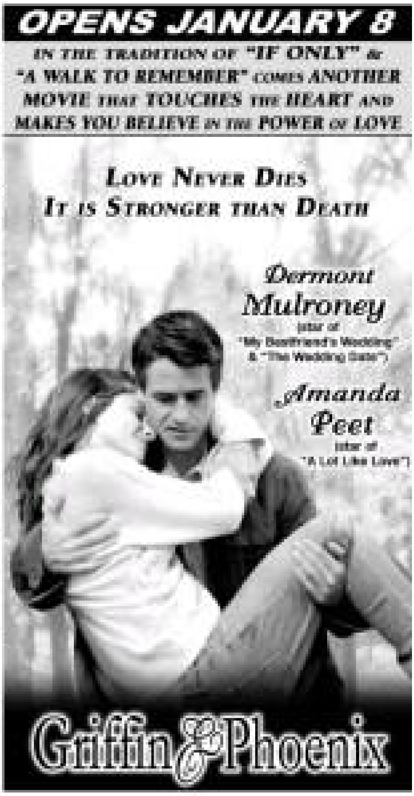


JENNIFER HUDSON

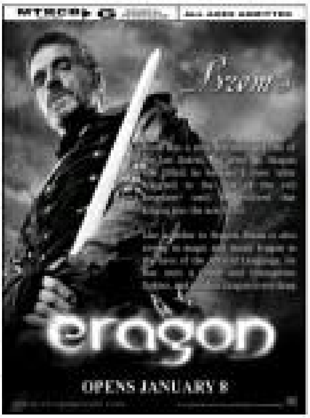


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Eula Valdez, dragon lady

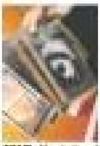
She also loves swords, comic books, and Jim Morrison

By Marinel R. Cruz

OUT OF THE CLOSET







SOME of her treasured comic books





COMIC BOOKS

Eula Valdez, dragon lady

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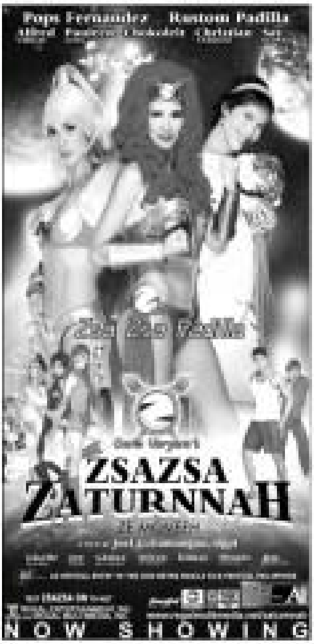
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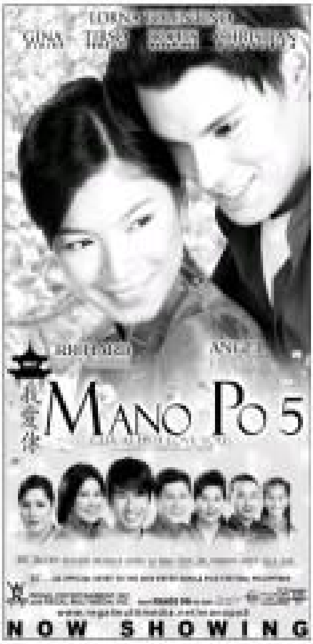




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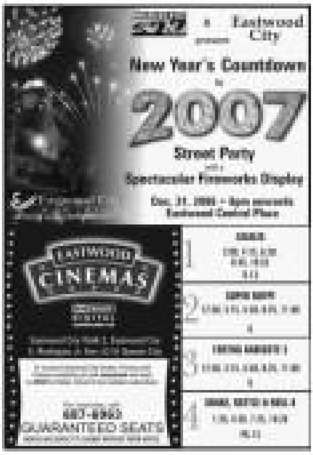
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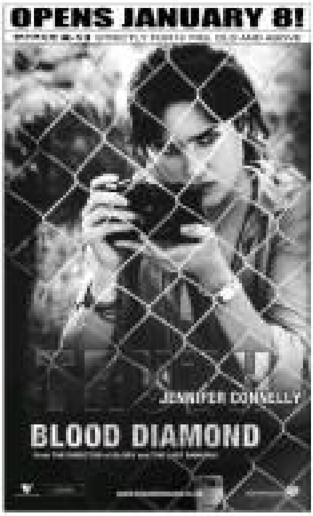








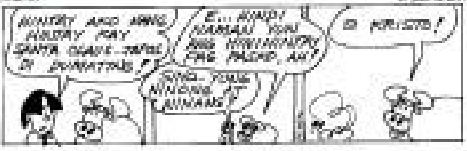




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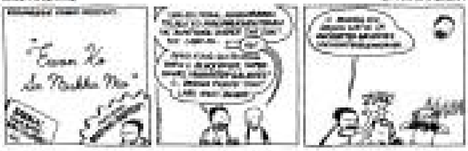
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DIVINE COMEDY



KIKO MACHINE — BY MANIX ABRERA



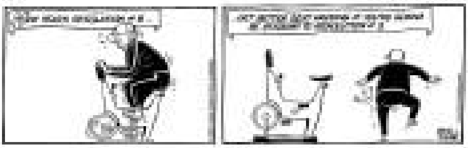
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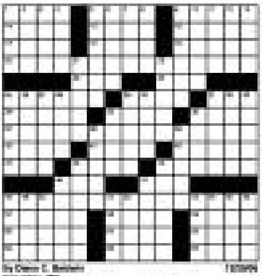
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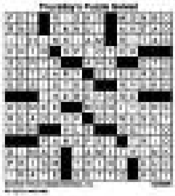


BEN — BY DANIEL SHELTON



DAILY CROSSWORD





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Conceptis Sudoku — by Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle



VINA MORALES

Favorite Nooks

I LOVE OUR LIVING ROOM, WHERE I HANG out with family and friends. The room was given a makeover on Charlene Gonzales' ABS-CBN show "Sa Home Ka Ba?" when I was promoting my 20th anniversary concert, "Showgirl." The TV show's staff surprised me. Good thing, I loved their new design concept which was inspired by the musical "Moulin Rouge" and sported the colors bloody red, fuchsia, black, silver, gray and white. I had the gray couch and center table custom-made. But the centerpiece—the leather mask that I bought in Barcelona, Spain—was framed by designer Janet Torre of Charlene's show. Lastly, the Christmas tree is a gift from my boyfriend. After the holidays, I'll put back the "Moulin Rouge" lamp where the tree now stands.

Rapsan Don Diego Jr.

Why Christmas was truly merry for these stars



PENELOPE Cruz with Fluky, Expo Zaragoza 2008 mascot, after being cited by the city of Zaragoza in her native Spain on Dec. 22 for her voluntary support to the expo.



MATTHEW Fisher, organist of the 1960s British pop group "Procol Harum," won on Dec. 20 his royalty battle for copyright ball sharing over the 1967 hit "Whiter Shade of Pale" against the group's singer Gary Brooker, who claimed he was its sole writer. The High Court in London awarded Fisher, 60, 40 percent of royalties. The song sold 10 million copies worldwide and has been rated one of the greatest pop songs of all time. Fisher's back royalties are valued at around one million pounds ($1.97 million). AFP



DIRECTOR Garry Marshall and actress Jane Fonda celebrate Fonda's birthday, Dec. 21, on the set of "Georgia Rule" at Paramount Studios in Los Angeles, California. AFP



CAROL Burnett at the Pacific Hollywood Theater in Hollywood on Dec. 21. Burnett worked as an usherette at the theater in 1951, and after refusing to seat a couple during the film, was fired. As Burnett's fame grew, she received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, which she asked to be placed in front of the theater. This year, theater officials presented Burnett with this door (in photo) from the building as a Christmas gift.